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JOB CORPS PARTNERS WITH STATE OF KENTUCKY TO INCREASE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ITS STUDENTS

PHILADELPHIA – Kentucky Job Corps students will soon have increased educational opportunities as a result of the recent signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between its offices and the Kentucky Department for Adult Education and Literacy and the Kentucky Virtual University.

The MOU allows eligible Job Corps students in Kentucky to enroll in the state's adult education system and use the resources available on the Kentucky Virtual Education Web site, www.kyvae.org.

"We are very pleased to partner with this organization to provide our students with enhanced educational resources and tools that will help them succeed," said Lynn Intrepidi, regional director of Job Corps' Philadelphia Region, which includes Kentucky.

Students participating in the new program will have free access to a variety of educational materials, including literacy information and state curriculum resources. These tools will help students achieve personal learning objectives such as skills attainment, grade-level improvement and completion of the GED.

Job Corps is the nation's largest and most successful federally funded residential job training and education program for economically disadvantaged youth ages 16 through 24.

There are seven centers in Kentucky, including Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center in Prestonsburg, Earle C. Clements Job Corps Academy in Morganfield, Frenchburg Job Corps

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Academy in Mariba, Great Onyx Job Corps Center in Mammoth Cave, Muhlenberg Career Development Center in Greenville, Pine Knot Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center in Pine Knot, and Whitney M. Young Job Corps Center in Simpsonville.

Job Corps Region II, headquartered in Philadelphia, administers 19 training centers and oversees outreach and career development activities for students in Delaware, the District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia. Depending on career interest, Job Corps applicants usually enroll in a center close to their homes.

For more information, call (800) 733-JOBS or visit the Job Corps Region II Web site at www.jobcorpsregion2.com.

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